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My view is that no one operating system should entirely dominate the market. Not Windows, Mac OS, OS 2 Warp, Linux, Unix, nor Be OS. So I think Windows needs to be around, but Microsoft has just gotten to big!

I only want to make a few quick suggestions. These comments should be in addition to other remedies already decided.

Microsoft (MS) should be forced to make a choice between the software business and the operating system (OS) business.

If they want to be in the software business, Windows should be made open source. This would prevent MS from taking over the market by virtue of being first to the OS table. It would foster innovation by making the playing field even.

If they want to be in the operating system business, then all other software divisions should be spun off into separate entities (or one big software entity). This again would take away the incentive for MS tying software inexorably to their operating system.

In addition, I like the idea of giving something to education. I think they should donate \$800 million cash to the nations schools to be used for computer training and equipment. The schools would be free to choose what-ever brand of computer and operating system they prefer.

That is my two cents! Good luck!

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